



Mavis Nelloms McKinley

November 2, 1946 - June 7, 2026

Mavis 'Joyce' Nelloms McKinley, was born on November 2, 1946, in Atlanta, Georgia, to Albert Nelloms & Evelyn Jeanette Jones. She attended Lynwood Park Elementary High School, where she enjoyed basketball, track, & singing in the chorus.

She served many roles in various churches, to include church mother, choir, & secretary under the leadership of Bishop & Pastor Mary Jean Perry, Dr. Jerry Maynard, Bishop Felton Smith, Pastor Joan Williams, & Bishop Demetrius Smith. Above all, she had a fervent love for God.

On June 9, 2012, she was joyfully united in holy matrimony to Outon McKinley. At that stage in her life, she was thrilled to find a partner, & they enjoyed 14 years of happiness together until God called her home.

Mavis had a passion for traveling & cherished moments with her family. As a loving wife, mother, sister, grandmother, & friend, she always offered kind words & encouragement to everyone she encountered. Throughout her journey, she embraced several young individuals, including Dora & Jeremy Thomas, Dr. Joane Watson, Kimiko Hart, & Sophia Clark. Her joyful spirit was truly contagious.

Mavis shared a unique connection with her Aunt Barbara, Uncle Dave, &

Aunts Jewell Nelloms & Ella Cammon. She also had an extraordinary relationship with her only son, Joseph Tate III, who remained by her side until she ascended to Heaven's gates.

She was preceded in death by her father, Albert Nelloms, mother, Evelyn Jeanette Jones; sister, Albert Dean Harper; & brother, Michael Hammonds.

She leaves to cherish her husband, Outon McKinley; son, Joseph Tate III; grandchildren, Delisha Tate, Joseph Tate IV, Kasmeondra Smith, Jonae Tate, Jaquez Tate, Jakia Tate, Jukeria Tate; great-grandchildren, Jaelah Tate, Joseph Tate V, Aubrey Searcy, Kayden El-Amin, Kayalah El-Amin, Jariah Tate, Kamiya Tate, Nova Carmichael, Nolan Searcy, Skylar Harrison, Noah Tate; siblings, Carolyn Smith (Michael), Johnny Hammond, & Brenda Hammond. Mavis also leaves behind a host of nieces & nephews.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 11:00 AM at Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel; interment will follow at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends Monday, June 22, 2026 from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM & from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the funeral home.

Condolences may be submitted on-line at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

Cemetery Details

Green Meadow Memorial Gardens

677 Legion Rd.
Conyers, GA 30012

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN **22**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Visitation

JUN **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JUN **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel
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